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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and 1.27 has been established.
[] No additional fee is required.

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[] First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				180		+ 360	\$0

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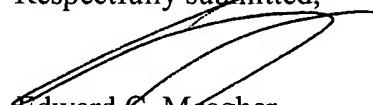
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 5, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

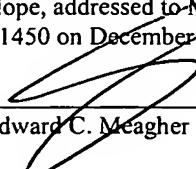
A complete listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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